

555 Seventeenth Street
Denver, Colorado 80202
Telephone 303 293 4000

Site East Helena
File # 2.06
Confidential: Yes No ✓
Admin. Record: Yes ✓ No
Key Words/Comments: ARCO's response
to EPA's special notice
letter concerning process ponds



March 12, 1990



1262301 - R8 SDMS

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY

MAR 15 1990

MONTANA OFFICE

Copy to
MDHES
CH2M Hill
Dave S.

Mr. D. Scott Brown
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region VIII, Montana Office
Federal Building
301 South Park - Drawer 10096
Helena, Montana 59626-0096

RE: EAST HELENA SMELTER SITE -- REPLY TO SPECIAL NOTICE
LETTER

Dear Mr. Brown:

EPA issued a special notice letter and demand for payment to the Anaconda Minerals Company in connection with the East Helena Smelter Site on February 23, 1990 (the "Special Notice Letter"). ARCO received the Special Notice Letter on February 26, 1990. While ARCO does not believe it is a potentially responsible party for the Process Ponds Operable Unit at the East Helena Smelter Site, this letter is to notify you of ARCO's willingness to negotiate the performance of the RD/RA, as requested in the Special Notice Letter. In providing this notification, ARCO does not admit, and reserves its right to contest, any liability in connection with the East Helena Smelter Site.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Dent
Minerals Projects Manager
(303) 293-7938

RLD/das

xc: J. H. Desautels, Esq.
R. Krablin
Sandra R. Moreno, Esq./EPA
Cynthia S. Leap, Esq.